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FLOOR SCHEDULE FOR WEDNESDAY, MAY 9, 2012

HOUSE MEETS AT:	FIRST VOTE PREDICTED:	LAST VOTE PREDICTED:
10:00 a.m.: Morning Hour 12:00 p.m.: Legislative Business	1:30 – 2:30 p.m.	Evening
Fifteen "One Minutes" per side		

**Members are advised that the GOP Leadership has announced that votes will occur after 7:00 p.m. when the House is considering Appropriations bills, and that the House will be voting late into the evening tonight.

Suspensions (2 Bills)

- 1) H.R. 2072 Securing American Jobs Through Exports Act of 2011, as amended (Rep. Gary Miller (CA) Financial Services)
- 2) H.R. 4133 United States-Israel Enhanced Security Cooperation Act of 2012, as amended (Rep. Cantor Foreign Affairs)

Continue Consideration of H.R. 5326 – Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2013 (Rep. Wolf - Appropriations) H.R. 5326 appropriates approximately \$51.1 billion in discretionary spending, which is \$1.6 billion (3%) less than the current level and \$731 million (1.4%) less than in the Senate and President's request. The measure increases funding for the National Science Foundation and the National Institutes of Standards and Technology but slightly reduces funding for NASA. It also cuts funding for grants to state and local law enforcement agencies by 17% while providing increases for most federal law enforcement agencies. House Republicans are developing this year's spending bills based on the \$1.028 trillion discretionary spending cap included in the Republican (Ryan) Budget Resolution rather than the \$1.047 trillion cap agreed upon in last year's Budget Control Act. As a result, this bill leaves even less room for other agencies and programs down the road, as Republicans try and 'frontload' some of the appropriations bills while still fitting under their cap.

In addition, H.R. 5326 provides \$73 million for the Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) program, which is \$126 million (63%) less than the current level and \$217 million (75%) less than requested. The bill only provides \$40 million out of the \$73 million for the COPS hiring program, which provides assistance to state and local law enforcement agencies.

As of last night, the House had completed reading through all titles of the bill. The House began debate on a few amendments at the end of the bill and is expected to continue debating amendments at the end of the bill today.

Bill Text for H.R. 5326:

HTML Version PDF Version

Background for H.R. 5326:

House Report (HTML Version)
House Report (PDF Version)

CRS Report - Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies: FY2013 Appropriations

TOMORROW'S OUTLOOK

The GOP Leadership has announced the following schedule for Thursday, May 10: The House will meet at 9:00 a.m. for legislative business. The House is expected to consider H.R. ___ - Sequester Replacement Reconciliation Act of 2012 (Rep. Ryan (WI) - Budget/Agriculture/ Energy and Commerce/Financial Services/Judiciary/Oversight and Government Reform/ Ways and Means) (Subject to a Rule).



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The Daily Quote

"The Republican-led House this week will lay bare the choice between social programs and Pentagon spending in an age of austerity when it takes up legislation to slice \$261 billion from food stamps, Medicaid, social services and other programs for struggling Americans over the next decade to stave off more than \$50 billion in military spending cuts scheduled to take effect next year... A quarter of the cuts in the bill would come from programs for the poor. Cuts to Medicaid, food stamps and subsidized insurance premiums under the health care law make up more than a third of the package's savings, or \$108 billion over 10 years... \$23.5 billion from Medicaid and children's health care, \$4.2 billion from hospitals that serve the poor and uninsured, and \$33.7 billion from supplemental nutrition assistance."

- New York Times, 5/7/12